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Sir:

Concerning the Office communication mailed on 5/26/2003, applicant makes response, as follows.

REMARKS:

Paragraph 7 of Office Action states that "Claims 104-108 and 113-117 remain rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as being anticipated by O'Dell, US Pat. No. 5,109,352, 4/92. As per Claims 104-108, 113-117, O'Dell discloses the claimed invention of; ,,".

In reply thereto, applicant states, as follows.

Applicant understands that the discovery itself for "laws of nature", or "natural phenomenon" or "abstract idea" may not obtain a patent.

Applicant also understands that "invention or discovery of any new and useful process, machine, manufacture, or composition of matter, or any new and useful improvement" may obtain a patent, (including those to utilize above-mentioned "laws of nature" or "natural phenomenon" or "abstract idea").